



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:	) Examiner: Turner, Sharon L.
Avi J. ASHKENAZI, et al.	) Art Unit: 1647
Application Serial No. 09/918,585	) Confirmation No. 3713
Filed: July 30, 2001	) Attorney's Docket No. 39780-2630 P1C1
For: <b>SECRETED AND</b>	) <b>Customer No. 35489</b>
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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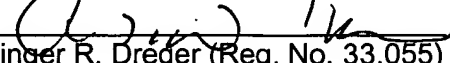
Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) to respond to the Office Action mailed October 2, 2003, for three months. This petition is filed to maintain co-pendency for a continuation application being filed today.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-1641 (Attorney Docket No. 39780-2630 P1C1).

Respectfully submitted,

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